

Interannual Comparison of Air Pollution Source Signal and Attribution in the Great Lakes Region

Kurt Paterson, Ph.D.

Michigan Technological University

Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

MichiganTech.



Scientific Objectives

- Determine the sources influencing air quality measurements at a northern Michigan field site
- Compare the sources from two summers' observations at the same location
 - Source temporal signal
 - Source profile
 - Source characteristics
 - Source apportionment

MichiganTech.



Measurements: PROPHET

→ Program for Research on Oxidants:
Photochemistry, Emissions, and Transport

→ Intensives: Spring, Summer, Fall, 1997;
Winter, Summer, 1998

→ Participants

- AES
- University of Colorado – Boulder
- California Institute of Technology
- Carnegie Mellon University
- ERIM
- Michigan Technological University
- NCAR
- Ohio State University
- Ohio University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Purdue University
- Stanford University
- SUNY – Old Westbury
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- University of Virginia
- Washington State University
- Western Michigan University
- York University

MichiganTech.



Measurements: Particulate

→ Particulate mass concentration

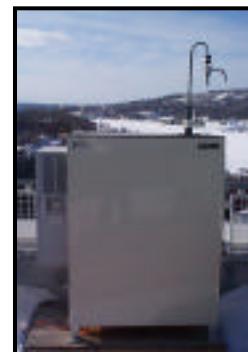
→ Continuous PM_{2.5}: Rupprecht and Patashnik TEOM

→ Particulate number concentration

→ Fine: TSI scanning mobility particle sizer
→ "Coarse": PMS laser spectrometer

→ Particulate characterization

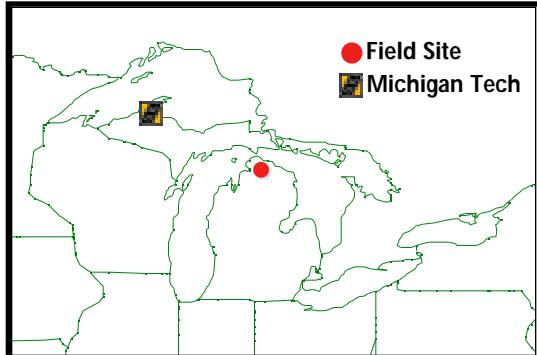
→ 4 hour integrated filter samples
→ Scanning electron microscopy
→ MetOne meteorological station
→ Trace gases: O₃, CO, PAN, isoprene



MichiganTech.



Measurements: Location



→ Measurements

- ➔ July 29 to August 17, 1997
- ➔ Seven species
- ➔ 2116 5-minute observation series

MichiganTech.



Data: Isoprene

→ Sources

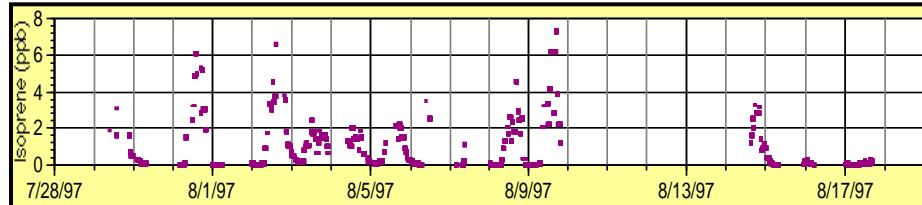
- ➔ Deciduous trees

→ Sinks

- ➔ Reactions with OH[•], O₃, and NO₃ (nighttime)

→ Approximate lifetime

- ➔ Hours



MichiganTech.



Data: Carbon Monoxide

→ Sources

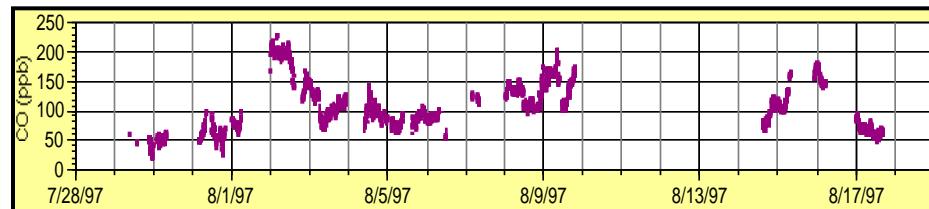
- Combustion, industrial processes, oxidation of HC

→ Sinks

- Oxidation by OH[•]

→ Approximate lifetime

- Months



MichiganTech.



Data: Peroxyacetyl Nitrate

→ Sources

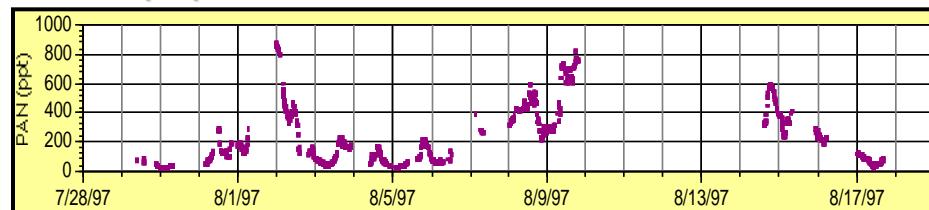
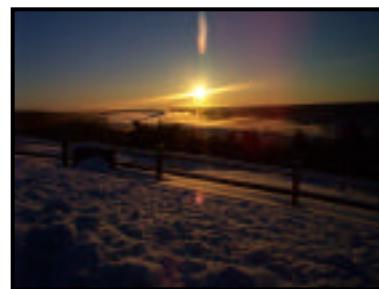
- Oxidation of HC with NO_x

→ Sinks

- Thermal decomposition

→ Approximate lifetime

- Temperature dependent, in free troposphere, months



MichiganTech.



Data: "Coarse" Particulate $(D_p > 1.50 \mu\text{m})$

→ Sources

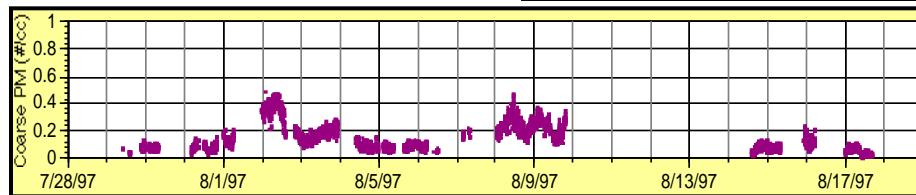
- Mechanical processes

→ Sinks

- Fallout (due to size)

→ Approximate lifetime

- Hours



MichiganTech.



Data: Fine Particulate

$(0.12 \mu\text{m} < D_p < 1.50 \mu\text{m})$

→ Sources

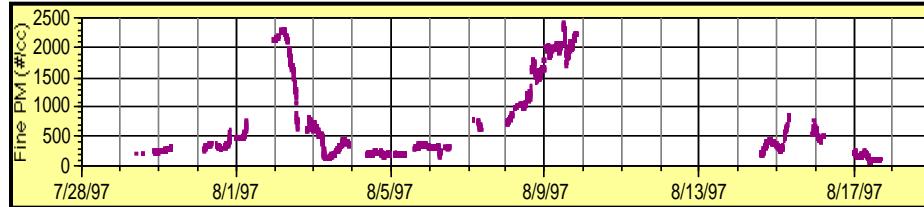
- Combustion (primary particles), coagulation, gas-to-particle conversion (second particles)

→ Sinks

- Washout, coagulation, and deposition

→ Approximate lifetime

- Days



MichiganTech.



Data: Ozone

→ Sources

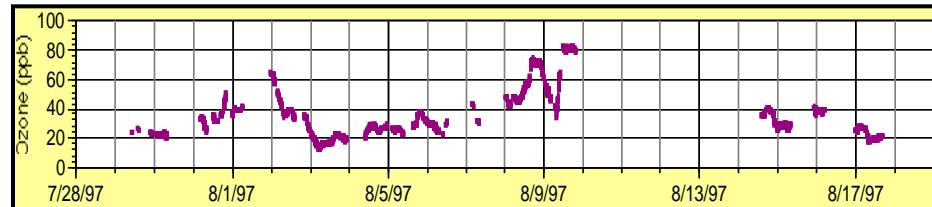
- Photochemical production via NO_x-HC-CO chemistry

→ Sinks

- Dry deposition, photolysis and other

→ Approximate lifetime

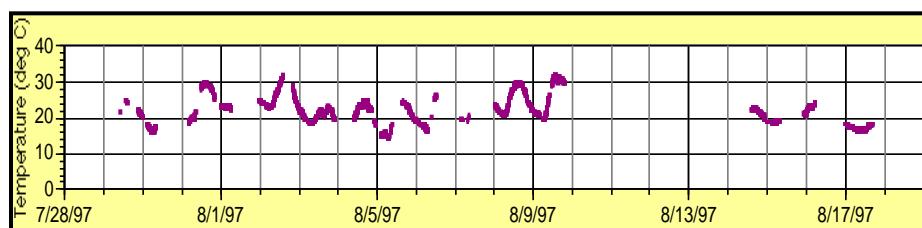
- Varies, hours to month



MichiganTech.



Data: Temperature



MichiganTech.



Data: Methods

→ Measurements and Modeling

- Generate data necessary to assess conditions, dynamics, and transport
 - Integrate meteorological, atmospheric trace gas, and particulate measurements
 - Trajectory and residence time modeling
- Data analysis of sources
 - Positive Matrix Factorization (PMF)
 - Correlations with potential influences

MichiganTech.



Data: Analyses

→ Source attribution

- Positive matrix factorization
- Particle distributions, dynamics, and composition
- Composition and dynamics of sources
- Transport modeling

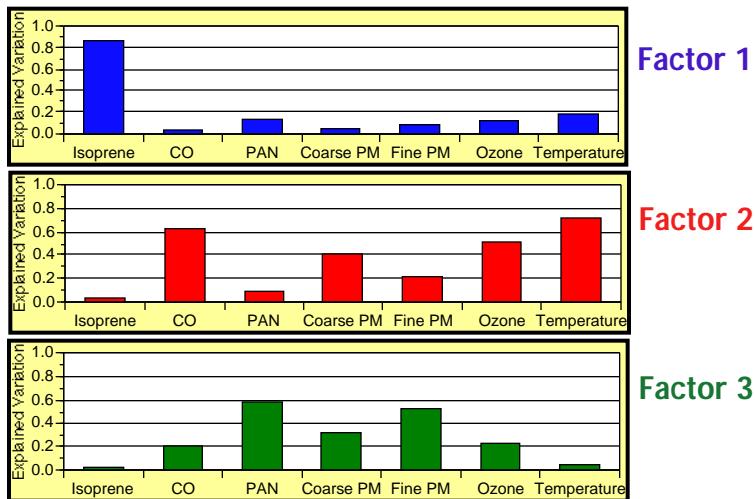
→ Meteorological correlations

- Wind speed
- Wind direction
- Temperature
- Humidity

MichiganTech.



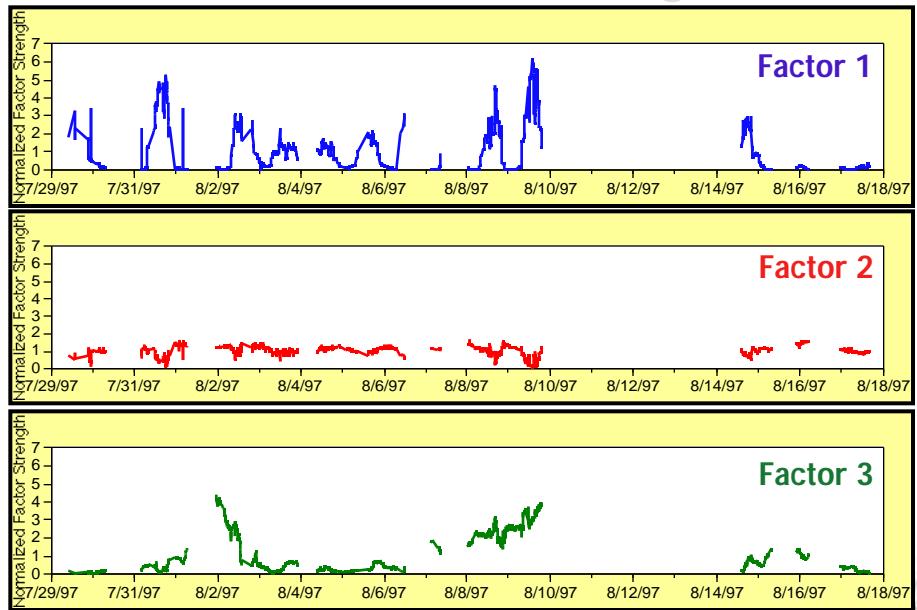
PMF: Source Profile, EV



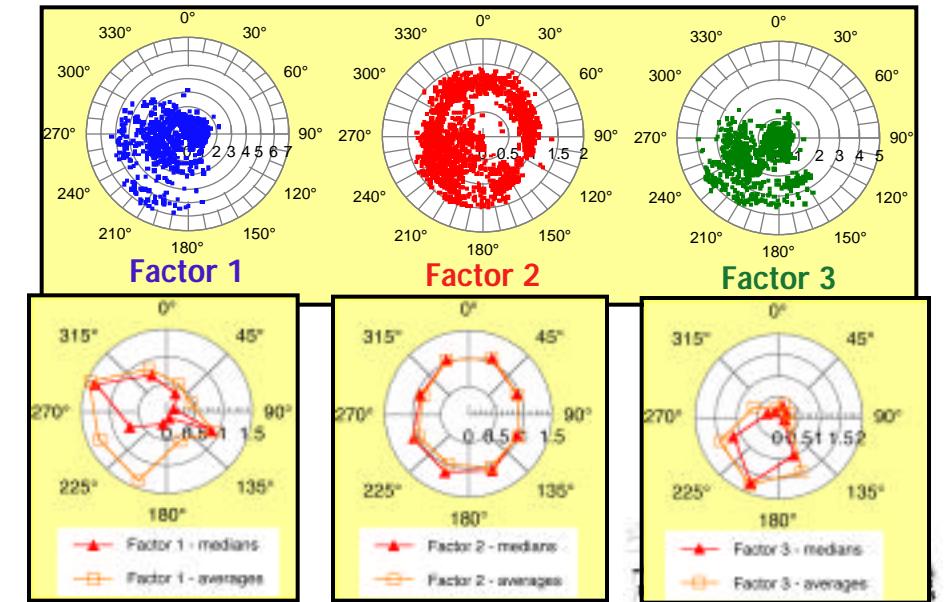
MichiganTech.



PMF: Source Strength, G



PMF: Wind Analysis



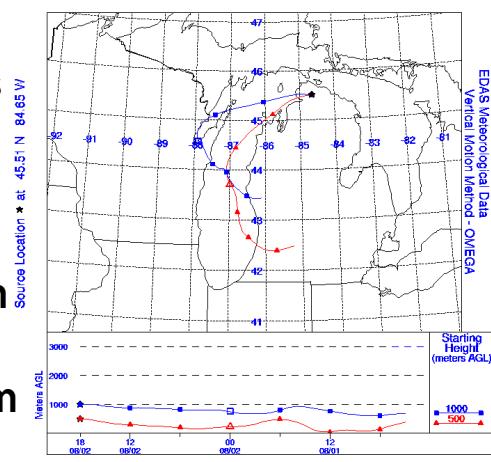
PMF: Long-Range Transport

→ Assess Factor 3

- G: +/- 1 std dev for dirty and clean events
 - Three-day back trajectories
 - Residence time

→ Dirty air arrives from industrial Midwest

→ Clean air arrives from central Canada



MichiganTech.

PMF: Source Identification

→ Three factor PMF solution

→ Factor 1 = *Biogenic Sources*

→ Diurnal signal

→ Unique to isoprene

→ Factor 2 = *Local Sources*

→ Insensitive to wind direction

→ Correlates with temperature, CO, coarse PM

→ Factor 3 = *Long-Range Transport*

→ Low frequency signal

→ Contains PAN, fine PM (aged air)

MichiganTech.



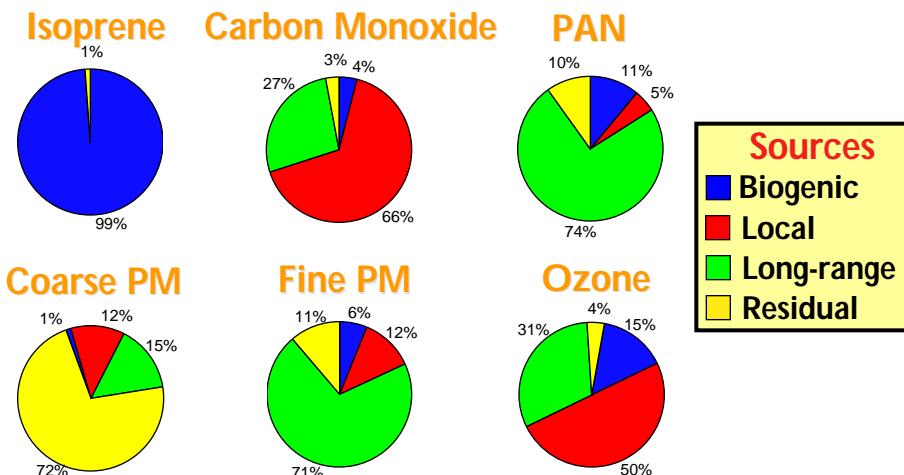
PMF: Source Apportionment, F

	Isoprene (ppb)	CO (ppb)	PAN (ppt)	Coarse PM (#/cm ³)	Fine PM (#/cm ³)	Ozone (ppb)	Temp. (°C)
Factor 1 (biogenic)	1.128	4.0	25	0.006	43.2	5.4	5.0
Factor 2 (local)	0.003	71.0	11	0.053	87.7	18.2	16.0
Factor 3 (transport)	0.002	29.4	174	0.067	499.8	11.4	1.2
Sum of factor contributions	1.132	104.4	210	0.126	630.7	35.1	22.2
Measured mean	1.136	107.6	235	0.447	705.0	35.9	22.3
% difference	-0.3	-3.0	-10.4	-71.8	-10.5	-2.1	-0.5

MichiganTech.



PMF: Source Apportionment



MichiganTech.



Measurements: Repeat

- ➔ Summer Campaign #2
 - ➔ PROPHET site
 - ➔ July 27 to August 16, 1998



MichiganTech.



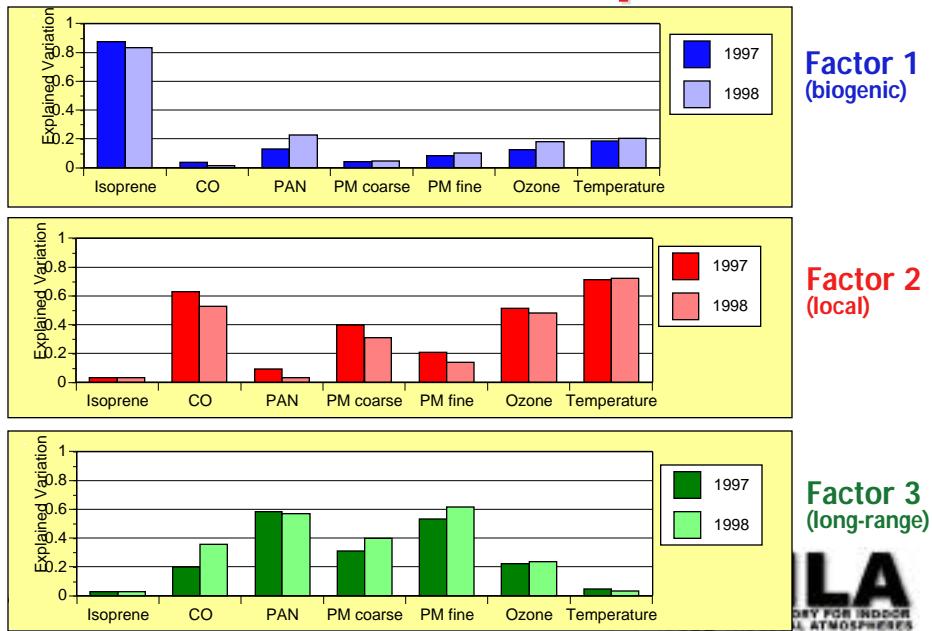
Measurements: Averages

Constituent	1997	1998	Change
Isoprene (ppb)	1.132	1.561	+ 37.9%
CO (ppb)	104.4	210.2	+ 101.7%
PAN (ppt)	210.0	219.8	+ 4.7%
Coarse PM (#/cm ³)	0.126	0.265	+ 110.3%
Fine PM (#/cm ³)	630.7	1019.5	+ 61.6%
Ozone (ppb)	35.1	46.7	+ 33.1%
Temperature (°C)	22.2	23.4	+ 5.4%

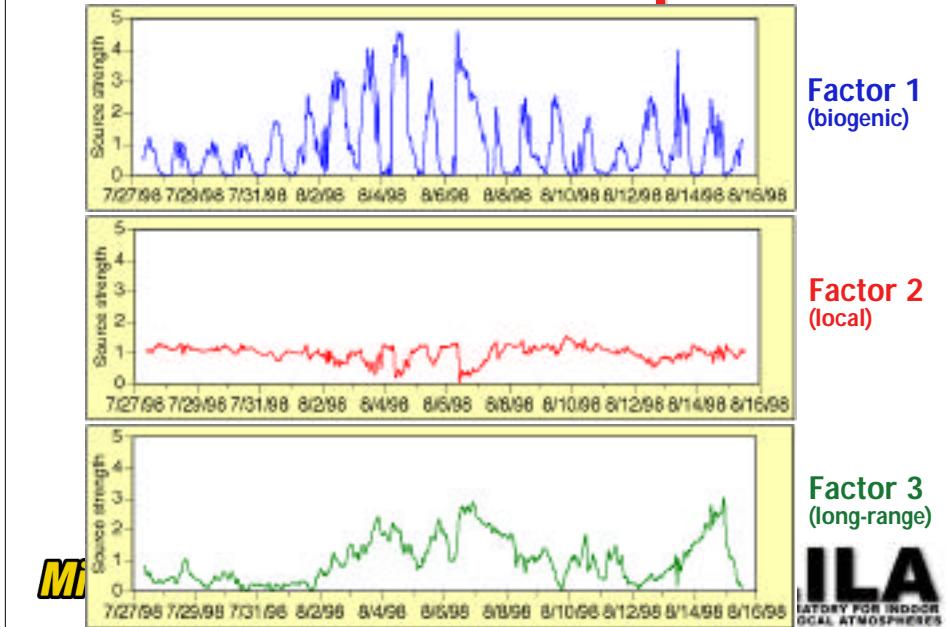
MichiganTech.



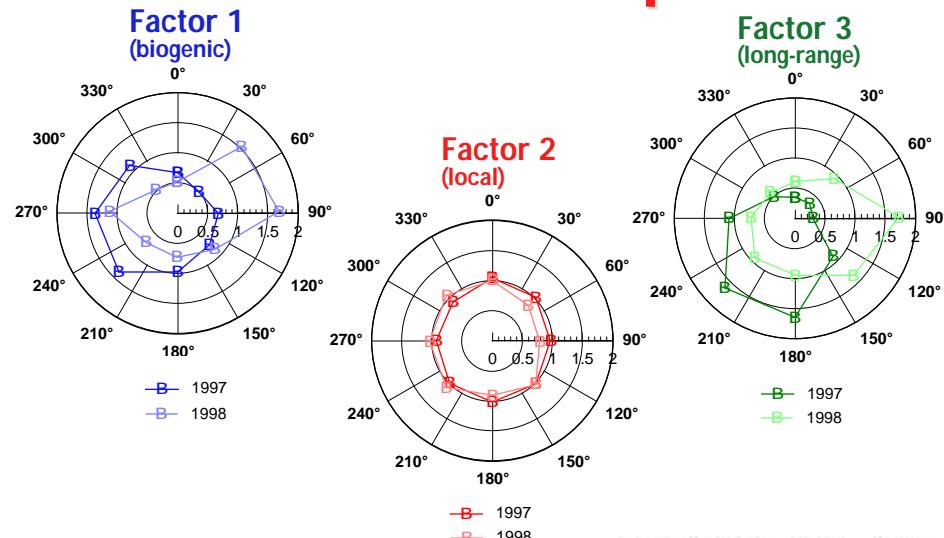
PMF: Source Comparison



PMF: Source Comparison



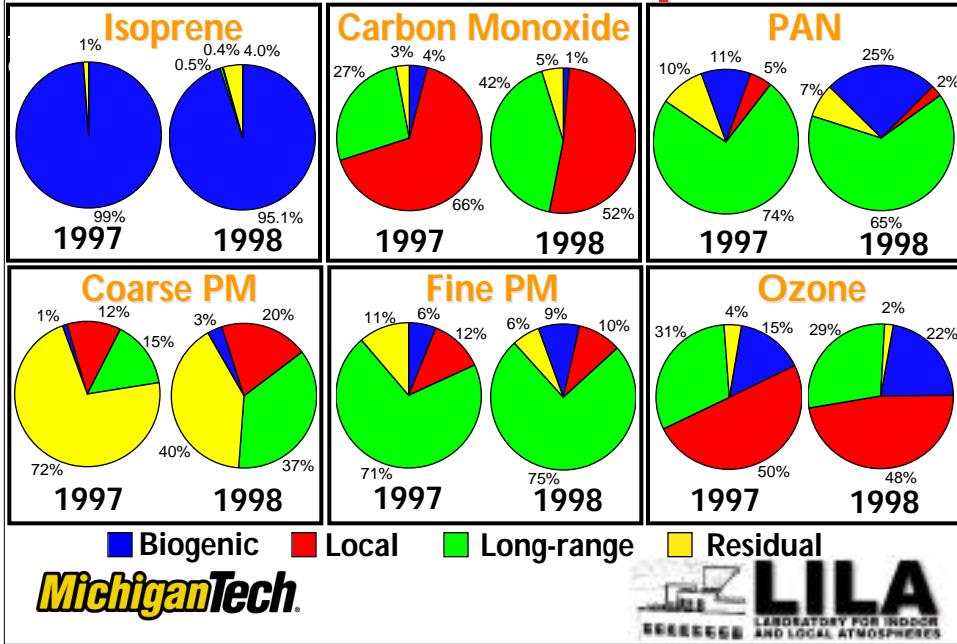
PMF: Source Comparison



MichiganTech.

LILA
LABORATORY FOR INDOR
AND LOCAL ATMOSPHERES

PMF: Source Comparison



Conclusions

- Three sources (local, long-range, biogenic) effectively explain the measurements in summers 1997 and 1998
- Source temporal signals
 - Each source exhibited similar temporal characteristics (frequency and amplitude) both summers
- Source profile
 - Each source had a similar profile both summers
- Source characteristics
 - Different transport patterns in the two summers resulted in different source regions for the long-range and biogenic sources
- Source apportionment
 - In general, there were slight increases in long-range transport and decreases in local source contributions in the summer of 1998

MichiganTech.

Next Steps

→ Increase Number of Pollutants

→ PROPHET site, summer 1998

→ 17 distinct constituents

→ 6 sources

→ Evaluate metrics for quantitative comparison of sources



MichiganTech.



Acknowledgments

→ People

→ Katerina Lapina

→ Jessica Sagady

→ Dianne Hooper Mathews

→ Pentti Paatero

→ Organizations

→ National Science Foundation

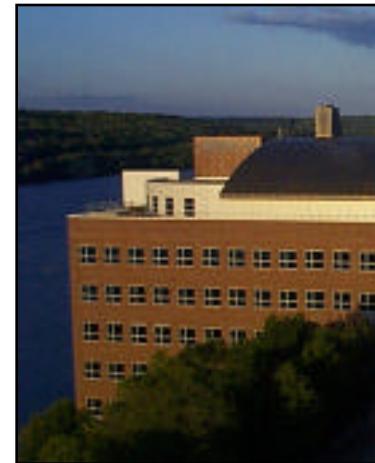
→ NASA/GSFC

→ NOAA

→ Albert W. Cherne Foundation

→ Herbert and Grace
Dow Foundation

MichiganTech.



Contact

→ Prof. Kurt Paterson

Michigan Technological University
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
801 Dow Environmental Sciences and Engineering Building
Houghton MI 49931-1294

E: paterson@mtu.edu
T: 906-487-3495
F: 906-487-2943

MichiganTech.

